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BONITA FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT GETS UNDERWAY *County Begins Improvement of Central Avenue Channel*

Work on the Central Avenue Flood Control Improvement Project in Bonita begins next week.

Included in the \$5.9 million project on the Bonita channel are construction of a three-chamber concrete box culvert along the north side of Central Avenue, a 1000-foot-long floodwall on the north side of the channel, a 200-foot-long floodwall on the south side of the channel, and installation of fiber matting and plantable concrete cells. Improvements are designed to allow the channel to handle a 100-year storm.

The project is along the drainage channel that parallels Central Avenue between Belle Bonnie Brae Road and Dawsonia Street. Central Avenue is the primary access way for neighborhoods in this area. Funding is provided by the County of San Diego General Fund and FEMA, the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Errecas Inc., the contractor, will generally work Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to dusk or 7 p.m. whichever is earlier. During construction, Central Avenue will remain open to vehicles at all times, although the roadway may be shifted to accommodate the construction area. If needed, traffic control may be in effect between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

During the year-long construction, the County's Department of Public Works will provide a bi-weekly newsletter to anyone interested in tracking the project's progress and also a project information hotline for information about day-to-day construction. Please call **1-888-ROAD-WRK (1-888-762-3975)** to be added to the newsletter distribution list or to relay project-related questions and concerns.

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